



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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2nd Sunday of Easter -Year A White
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY
CELEBRATED AT 6PM &
10AM MASSES.**

BAPTISMS

Celebrated EITHER during the
6pm, 8am & 10 am Masses on
the 2nd Sun of the month OR
11.30am at Holy Trinity
12noon at St John XXIII
(Alternately on 4th Sun)

Bookings to be made through
the Parish Office, OR ON OUR
WEBSITE

MARRIAGES

By appointment only

REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St Francis Xavier's
(Primary) 8251 9500
Carignane St,
Wynn Vale 5127

Gleeson College
(Secondary) 8282 6600
40-60 Surrey Farm Drive,
Golden Grove 5125

**We acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of this region.
Let us share and learn together for reconciliation and justice.**

**ST JOHN XXIII
Hope Valley**

Monday 9.15am
Tuesday 9.15am
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am

MASS TIMES



**MODBURY HOSPITAL
Thursday MASS 11am**

**HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills**

Wednesday 7pm
Friday 9.15am
(Adoration Before Friday
Mass commencing 8.30am)
Saturday 9.15am
Sunday 10am

Prayer Meetings and Devotions

Tue	25th April	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	26th April	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thurs	27th April	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	St John XXIII
Fri	28th April	Holy Hour	3pm	Holy Trinity
Sun	30th April	Divine Mercy	3pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	24th April	Bowls	1 - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	25th April	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	26th April	Seniors Social Club	1pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	26th April	Beer, Wine & Port Group	7pm	St John XXIII
Sat	29th April	Community Garden Group	9am - 12 noon	St John XXIII

Lest We Forget



ANZAC Day Mass will be held

at 9.15am at St John XXIII

Following Mass Reachout Group will have
a morning tea with ANZAC Biscuits. All welcome to stay.

Mercy is Divine

We celebrate today the Divine Mercy Sunday.

The readings are about God's mercy, the necessity for trusting Faith and the need for God's forgiveness of sins. The opening prayer addresses the Father as "God of Mercy." In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118), we repeat several times, "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

The first reading (Acts 2:42-47), shows us how the early Church grew every day because of the acts of mercy and sharing, the sacrificial love practiced by the early Christians. They expressed their love and mercy by sharing what they had with everyone in need.

In the second reading (1 Peter 1:3-9), St. Peter glorifies God for showing us His mercy through the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus, thus giving us the assurance of our own resurrection.

In today's Gospel, as we recall Jesus' appearance to the Apostles. We are vividly reminded of the Sacrament of Reconciliation; the power to forgive sins which Our Lord gave to His Apostles, saying, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (Jn. 20-23). Today's Gospel also emphasizes the importance of Faith in the all-pervading presence of the risen Lord of Mercy. To believe without having seen is every later Christian's experience.

The celebration of Easter should lead us to accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy. One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to receive Divine Mercy. The Gospel command, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," demands that we show mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God's mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. It is mainly through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that we practice mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God's merciful judgment.

The second part of the Gospel (verses 24-29), presents the apostle St. Thomas demanding a personal vision and physical contact with the risen Jesus as a condition for his belief. Thomas had not been with the Apostles when Jesus first appeared to them. As a result, he refused to believe. Thomas was able to overcome his doubts by seeing the risen Jesus. Modern Christians, who are no longer able to "see" Jesus with their eyes, must believe what they hear.

That is why Paul reminds us that "Faith comes from hearing" (Rom 10:17). Therefore, we must have the courage of our Christian convictions to share our Faith as St. Thomas did. We are not to keep the gift of faith locked in our hearts, but to share it with our children, our families and our neighbours, always remembering the words of St. John XXIII: "Every believer in this world must become a spark of Christ's light."

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Readings for 30th April 2017

1st Reading :Acts 2:14, 22-33

2nd Reading :Peter 1:17-21

Gospel :Luke 24:13-35

Our Community's Prayer Petitions

PLEASE NOTE: THE NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL REMAIN FOR TWO MONTHS ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST: Please note that names can only be added to this list by immediate family, or the ill person themselves (for reasons of privacy).

Please Remember in your Prayers THOSE WHO ARE SICK, especially:

Graham Speed, Marlen Piñeda, David Truman, Julie Tilley, Bruce Mc Andie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Ros Glastonbury, Myles Mahony, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Wayne Collins, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Ann Stanton, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Phyllis Anthony, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, Fiona Power, Rita Robinson, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Marie Bakaj, Jennifer Francou, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead.

Recently Deceased

Conal Almeida, Pat Proctor

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"We all have scars from our own Good Fridays that remain long after our own experiences of resurrection. Our 'nail marks' remind us that all pain and grief, all ridicule and suffering are transformed into healing and peace in the love of God we experience from others and that we extend to them. The 'nail marks' of Jesus are all around us in the lives of those walking their own Calvary's. Jesus calls us to be willing to place ourselves in the pain and struggle of others and bring the joy and peace of Easter into hearts entombed in winter cold and darkness." (Connections). We are invited to receive liberation from doubts and hesitation by surrendering our lives to the risen Lord of Mercy. Let us ask God our Father to open our hearts so that we may receive His Mercy and in turn be merciful to others.

FR MANU KUMBIDIYAMACKAL

PLEASE HELP

Catechists need help from parishioners, especially parents of the children to come out and get involved with Liturgy on Sundays. They don't need to take part, just to observe and learn for the future. So if you can help please just put your name down on the Children's Liturgy sheet at the back of the church at Holy Trinity (under helpers), so if available we can call on you when needed.

Happy Birthday April Babies

26th Grace Healey

29th Fr Peter Milburn, David Zagari



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00am — 1.00pm
or www.vinnies.org.au



St Vincent De Paul Modbury Conference

I have looked into your eyes with my eyes. I have put my heart near your heart. *St John XXIII*

Only 3 calls last week with 5 Adults & 3 Children all needing assistance with Food, one needing Household Goods, another with advice on Bill Assistance.

We work at helping these Families/People hoping we are there for them in a crisis time in their life, and that our help may give relief at a difficult time. We can do this because of the help we receive from the people within our Parish. Without your help this work would not be possible.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are:
Margarine, Breakfast Cereal & Milk
Thank You for caring. God Bless.

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday, 25th April, 2017
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Jos
Offertory: Judy & Ian
Communion: Margaret E & Pat C
Altar Server: Leo

All welcome to stay after Mass
for morning Tea and Anzac biscuits.



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2017

Congratulations Pat Cherry
No. 10

Drawn by Margaret Giebel
Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
to be included in the draw.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND IN OCTOBER.

This is your opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, Mary and Joseph and to experience the culture and land.

Pilgrimage is a prayerful time for making a special connection with Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem.

Anyone interested in more information please collect a brochure from the back of the church today. We are leaving on Sunday October 22nd. Fr Jack will be leading you all the way.



DIVINE MERCY

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 30th April at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church.

TO ALL LITURGY ASSISTANTS

The New Roster is now available, Please pick up the one with **YOUR NAME** on it.

The Roster runs from the weekend of 15th/16th April 2017 through to the weekend of 24th/25th July 2017.

Please arrange your own swap if unable to fulfill your Ministry when rostered, and for all other Roster information please contact Greg and Leonie Dew, whose telephone number is on your Roster.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARA HILLS CONFERENCE



Members needed to help us service clients in our area. Anyone interested, please phone Graeme or Anne on: 0426 040 047. We need Volunteers to keep "Vinnies" going in the Para Hills Area.

God Bless

Committee Para Hills Conference

REACH OUT MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses next weekend. Proceeds going to the St Vincent de Paul Modbury and Para Hills Conferences.

Marian Procession 2017

Bus for parish for the Marian Procession will have to be ordered asap if needed for 21st May.

The cost is \$13 per head and a deposit of \$5 is needed when booking.

If we don't get 13 people then we cannot secure the bus.

A sheet for names will be available at the back table at Holy Trinity on Sunday.

URGENT REQUEST

St Vincent de Paul, Modbury Conference is in Urgent need of a Set of Double Bunk Beds for a Family. Please contact the Parish Office on: 8264 7590 if you are able to help.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The April edition of the Southern Cross is now available.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Entertainment Books

The books are now available after Masses at St John XXIII and at the Parish Office, The books are \$70 each. If you prefer a digital book (can be ordered now), please order online and quote Para Hills Modbury Catholic parish as the fundraiser.

Thank you in advance for your support!

*Lea Crosby
for Parish East Timor committee*

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**OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART
(OLSH) COLLEGE**

496 Regency Road, Enfield Phone: 8269 8800

Web: olsh.catholic.edu.au

Jenny O'Brien from the Office for Worship is offering a six week course, "Alive in Christ", on initiation in the Catholic Church. The course will be on Tuesday evenings 2 May – 6 June from 7-9pm at the Ministry and Liturgy Centre at Thebarton. Cost is \$50 which includes a book of readings. Please contact Lyn on 8152 7806 or howland@ow.adelaide.catholic.org.au

PLEASE NOTE

**Please make sure if you are the last to leave the church/hall at St John XXIII and Holy Trinity that:
ALL LIGHTS, AIRCONDITIONERS, DOORS are switched off/locked. We have had a few instances lately where people have not checked when they have left the church/hall.
Thank you.**

STAMPS AND DRINK CAN RING PULLS

We are only collecting Stamps and Ring Pulls from drink cans. Thank you.

Anne-Michelle & Olive.



Child Protection – Contact Officer

Every parish in the diocese is required to nominate two Child Protection Officers. These are people that parishioners can contact should they have concerns about the safety of children in the parish.

The Child Protection Officers for our parish are:
Fr Manu and Therese Meyers.

Father Manu's contact no. 0417 584 336

Therese Meyers' contact no. 0421 533 761

Community Garden

Welcome all to the Community Garden, our next gathering is on the 29th April 9am to 12 noon. St John XXIII Mass Centre, Grandparents if you are babysitting grandchildren bring them along. Don't forget gloves etc.

BEER WINE PORT GROUP

Beer Wine Port Group's next meeting/tasting (Wine Night) is this coming Wednesday, 26th April at 7.30pm in the St John XXIII Mass Centre Meeting Room at Hope Valley. Everybody is welcome, including fellow Parishioners in the Para Hills area and also new Parishioners to join us in tasting great wines from the wonderful Coonawarra.

This Wine Night will be our last one until 22nd August because of the expected cold and wet evenings.

For all information on BWP activities, including Bus Trips, Dinners, Cruises etc. please contact Greg Dew on: 8265 1566 or 0411 774 510.

Fundraising Dinner supporting Celebrate Emmanuel 2017

Place: Slovenian Club
11 La Salle Street, Dudley Park

Date: 27th May 2017

Time: 6pm Start

Cost: \$25 Adult

\$15 Child under 10

Drinks at bar prices

Contact: Josephine Baluyot 8264 6259

or mobile: 0419 007 792 or

email: josephinebaluyot@bigpond.com

To purchase tickets.

